

March 19, 2018

A REGULAR MEETING of the Akron Village Board was held on this date at 7:32 p.m. Present: Mayor Carl E. Patterson; Trustees E. Peter Forrestel, Michael R. Middaugh; Village Attorney Andrew Borden, Treasurer Tammy Kelley, Clerk Jayne DeTine, Public Works Manager Jon Cummings and Code Enforcement Officer Michael Borth.

The Mayor led us in the pledge to the flag.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 5, 2018 be and hereby are approved by the Village Board.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH - AYE

RESOLUTION, duly moved by Forrestel seconded by Middaugh that the audit of the bills is approved, and the Treasurer authorized to pay same in accordance with the following abstract of audit vouchers:

General Fund	\$ 16,621.40
Electric Fund	\$ 37,905.33
Water Fund	\$ 1,740.73
Sewer Fund	\$ 670.29

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Forrestel that the following building permits be and hereby are approved with the applications and approval of the Code Enforcement Officer:

Richard Lindquist	63 Cedar Street	Garage	\$384.00
William Short	15 Jackson Street	Windows	\$100.00
William Short	15 Jackson Street	Remodel 2 nd Floor	\$360.00
Kurt Schie	42 Jackson Street	Parts Insp. Room	\$160.00
Delores Bower	6126 Crittenden Rd	Fence	\$50.00
Mark Wilson	70 Cedar Street	Front Porch	\$160.00

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh that the following Application for a Dumpster Permit be and hereby is approved in accordance with the application filed and payment of permit fee:

Pizzabella & Pasta	66 Main Street	Renewal	\$100.00
Virchau Company	Various Locations	Renewal	\$50.00

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH - AYE

PUBLIC HEARING – Local Law #2 for 2018 – Override Tax Cap - a Public Hearing was held now to hear all persons for addressing the Local Law Property Tax Cap Override. Clerk DeTine read the Proof of Publication. Mayor Patterson explained that the Law allows the Village to use the option of going over the 2018-2019 NYS tax cap if necessary. Clerk DeTine asked if anyone wished to speak. No one wished to speak.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to close the Public Hearing regarding the Local Law #2 for 2018 – Property Tax Cap Override for the 2018-2019 Village fiscal year be and hereby is closed at 7:35 pm.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
 E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
 MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH - AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Forrestel to adopt Local Law #2 for 2018 authorizing to Override the Tax Cap for the year 2018-2019 Village Fiscal Year be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED CARL E. PATTERSON - AYE
 E. PETER FORRESTEL - AYE
 MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH - AYE

APPEARANCE – Engineer Ed Schiller from Wm Schutt & Associates came before the Board to introduce himself as he is taking over the Village account for the retired Engineer Paul Bowers. Town of Newstead Assessor Tina McQuillen also came before the Board to introduce herself. Trustee Forrestel asked her when the next re-val will be and she stated that last re-val was done in 2012 and the next one will be in 2020. Trustee Middaugh asked what hours she is available. Ms. McQuillen stated that she is at the Town Hall on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm, but she is available by phone from Monday – Saturday.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Lance Piscitelli from 161 Main Street came before the Board to ask for help with a portion of his sidewalk which has excessive water flowing over it during rain events. The portion in question is by his driveway and he feels that the water has continually broken down the concrete. Public Works Manager Jon Cummings agrees that the sidewalk needs to be replaced and at that time the water flow can be re-directed by changing the grade a bit. Trustee Forrestel stated that the Village has a sidewalk reimbursement policy for when a resident replaces their sidewalk. The issue will go before the Streets, Parks and Community Relations Committee.

PROJECT REPORTS –

CDBG Year 2017 Project/Marshall Street, Morgan Street, Cedar Street Waterline Loop – on hold waiting for easement issues to be resolved.

Route 93 Bridge Project – Public Works Manager Jon Cummings reported that he received good news at the pre-construction meeting regarding the detour. The flow of traffic will continue as normal over by Hake Road and Lewis Road. They will be providing signs and lighting for that area.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Departments –

TREASURER – submitted: the February 2018 report, the March 19, 2018 Finance Committee report and the electric comparisons report. The Treasurer reviewed the Corrective Action Plan “to do lists” titled Village Board Members, Public Works Department and Village Treasurer with the Board. Mayor Patterson complimented Treasurer Kelley and the Finance Committee on the excellent job done with the Corrective Action Plan.

AKRON FIRE COMPANY – Trustee Middaugh reported that a meeting is scheduled for Monday March 26, 2018 to continue contract discussions.

Elected Officials –

TRUSTEES – COORDINATORS

Trustee Perry – excused

Trustee Middaugh – reported: Police, Fire and Emergency Services Committee met with Akron Central School Superintendent, Kevin Shanley, regarding the on-going School Resource Officer Program’s status and future changes considering the current events at other schools. The Committee will meet again with ACS Superintendent Shanley in the next three weeks. Streets, Parks and Community Relations Committee met today with the Electric Department this morning regarding tree planting. Lastly will meet with the Akron Fire Company on Monday March 26, 2018 for more contract discussion.

Mayor Patterson – reported: invited to the Akron Fire Company 95th Installation Dinner on March 10, 2018. Still working on the budget for 2018-2019.

Trustee Forrestel – reported: Street, Parks and Community Relations Committee met with the Electric Department regarding the tree program. Three trees are scheduled to be planted by the Fall of 2018 on Bloomingdale Avenue, Clinton Street and Mechanic Street and there are two additional trees to be removed this spring. Discussion was held regarding the several Main Street shade trees which have out grown their habitat and will be replaced with specimens better suited for that area either this Spring or Fall. Also, discussed the “Beyond the Right of Way” tree program which enables Municipalities to plant in participating residents front yards at least 30 feet from the sidewalk. This allows the Village to plant larger trees and keeps the roots further from the sewer lines. The committee will work on a “tree policy” which will cover all the legalities and easements associated with planting on private property. The Finance Committee met today and discussed the Village Budget, specifically the Sewer Fund which has a sizeable negative fund balance.

Trustee Folger – excused

OLD BUSINESS

Clinton Street/Eckerson Avenue Village Land – Village Attorney Borden stated a meeting is scheduled with the UB Department of Architecture on March 27, 2018 at 4 pm to discuss this project. The Department has offered to extend some services for the design of the project. More to follow.

Public Works Facility at 43 East Avenue – nothing

Cable Contract – nothing

Corrective Action Plan –quarterly review completed this evening. Next review will be in June 2018.

State Street Bridge – nothing

Sewer RBC Replace or Rebuild – Public Works Manager Jon Cummings reported that the fabrication is complete. The RBC is being slowly rotated to help dry out and balance the material that has accumulated while the unit has been out of commission.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to raise the water billing “base” rates effective June 15, 2018 be and hereby are approved as follows:

Residential Regular Rate:

Water - 1st 2,000 gallons = \$18.75 per month; Additional usage billed at \$8.20/1,000 gallons

Sewer – 1st 2,000 gallons = \$12.50 per month; Additional usage billed at \$6.25/1,000 gallons

Residential Low Usage Rate:

Water – 2,000-gallon minimum = \$15.75 per month; Additional 1,000 gallons billed at \$16.40; Additional usage after that billed at \$8.20/1,000 gallons

Sewer – 2,000-gallon minimum = \$10.00 per month; Additional 1,000 gallons billed at \$12.00; Additional usage after that billed at \$6.25/1,000 gallons

Industrial Rates

Water – 1st 34,000 gallons = \$266.75 per month; Additional 1,000 gallons billed at \$8.20/1,000 gallons

Sewer - 1st 2,000 gallons = \$12.50 per month; Additional 1,000 gallons billed at \$6.25/1,000 gallons.

Easement Customers:

Water – 2,000-gal. minimum = \$22.87 per month; Additional 1,000 gal. billed at \$10.25/1,000 gal.

Easement Customer Low Usage Rate:

Water – 2,000-gallon minimum = \$19.25 per month; Additional 1,000 gallons billed at \$20.50; Additional usage after that billed at \$10.25/1,000 gallons

Outside Village Water Customers:

Water – 1st 2,000 gallons = \$27.00 per month; Additional 1,000 gallons billed at \$12.30/1,000 gallons

Outside Village Water Customers Low Usage Rate:

Water – 2,000-gallon minimum = \$22.25 per month; Additional 1,000 gallons billed at \$24.60; Additional usage after that billed at \$12.30/1,000 gallons

Note: Low Usage Rate is based on the previous year's usage of 2,000 gallons or less/quarter and the customer would have the option to choose this rate and maintain this rate for a one-year period.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to allow Public Works Manager Jon Cummings and Electric Foreman Thomas Whitbeck to attend the MEUA Semi Annual meeting on April 11 & 12, 2018 in East Syracuse, NY at a cost of \$110.00 each be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Forrestel to elect Public Works Manager Jon Cummings to be the Village of Akron voting delegate for the MEUA Semi Annual meeting on April 11 & 12, 2018 in East Syracuse, NY be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Middaugh and seconded by Forrestel to approve the increase for Electric Foreman Thomas Whitbeck from Grade 15 Step 4 to Grade 15 Step 5 as per the recommendation of Public Works Manager Jon Cummings effective his Anniversary date of March 17, 2018 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAGH	- AYE

CORRESPONDENCE –

Invitation from Rural Transit Service to the Volunteer Recognition Day on Wednesday April 18, 2018.

Thank you letter from Patty Young-Szlapak to the Village Board and Department of Public Works.

Assessor's March 2018 Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Clerk updated the Board about the proposed monthly insert for the utility billing which would highlight events happening each month.

Village Disaster Coordinator, Daniel Kowalik, asked how the detour for the Rt. 93 Mechanic Street Bridge would be advertised to the Community. Public Works Manager stated that he spoke with the State regarding the detour and they would have lit signage by Lewis Road and Hake Road and by Clarence Center Road and Buell Street. He also stated that he would contact the State in the morning to see if they had a new detour route map available for notifying the community.

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to go into an executive session regarding personnel matters at 8:18 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to come out of the executive session regarding personnel matters at 8:31 pm be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to approve the purchase of a Topographical Survey for the Front Entrance to the Village Hall by Wm. Schutt and Associates not to exceed \$1,200.00 be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE

RESOLUTION duly moved by Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh to hold the Village of Akron 2018-2019 budget public hearing on Monday April 16, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. be and hereby is approved.

ADOPTED	CARL E. PATTERSON	- AYE
	E. PETER FORRESTEL	- AYE
	MICHAEL R. MIDDAUGH	- AYE

On motion of Forrestel and seconded by Middaugh at 9:03 p.m. this meeting was ADJOURNED

MAYOR

CLERK